31769 and 31770.

From China. Presented by Mr. T. M. Wilkinson, Foochow, China. Received July 5, 1911. Numbered September 15, 1911.

Seeds of the following; quoted notes by Mr. Wilkinson:

31769. QUERCUS sp.

Oak.

31770. ERIOBOTRYA JAPONICA (Thunb.) Lindl.

Loquat.

"Beba. This fruit tree begins to bloom the last of November and during the month of December. It has been in fruit for the last three weeks (May 16, 1911). The leaf is about 6 inches long and an inch or an inch and a half wide, has numerous ribs, and is dark green in color. The tree is inclined to grow straight and tall, the branches coming out of the main trunk at regular intervals and three, five, or seven of them at a time."

31771. (Undetermined.)

From Costa Rica. Presented by Mr. Carlos Wercklé, San Jose, Costa Rica. Received August, 1911. Numbered September 15, 1911.

Seeds.

31772. Bromelia sp.

Bromelia.

From Chile. Presented by Mr. José D. Husbands, Limavida, via Molina, Chile. Received August 14, 1911. Numbered September 15, 1911.

"From Coquimbo. This looks like a new class of *chupones* (Bromelia). These plants will probably be found to have some ornamental or economic value." (*Husbands.*)

Seeds.

31773. Geonoma sp.

Palm.

From San Jose, Costa Rica. Presented by Mr. Carlos Wercklé, Museo Nacional. Received September 14, 1911.

This is probably the same species as No. 31930, but may be distinct.

Seeds.

31774. Solanum nigrum L.

Nightshade.

From Kew, England. Presented by Dr. David Prain, director, Royal Botanic Gardens. Received September 14, 1911.

Introduced for breeding experiments.

Seeds.

31775. CITRULLUS VULGARIS Schrad.

Watermelon.

From Changchu, near Soochow, China. Presented by Mr. N. Gist Gee, Soochow, China. Received September 14, 1911.

"Mo Ling Quo (horse-bell melon). Best grown at Changchu." (Gee.)

31776. Caryophyllus aromaticus L.

Clove.

From Port of Spain, Trinidad, British West Indies. Presented by the director, Botanical Department, Department of Agriculture. Received September 19, 1911.

See No. 27680 for description.

Seeds.